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and modifications as reasonably come within our contribution to the art.--

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

Delete "Abstract" and substitute -- ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE--.

Delete lines 3 and 4.

At line 11, delete "The invention" and substitute
The disclosed method for removal of ATM cells from an
ATM communications device--.

Delete line 16.

IN THE CLAIMS:

On page 10 of the claims, delete "Patent Claims" and substitute -- WE CLAIM AS OUR INVENTION --.

Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice.

Please substitute claims 18-30 as follows:

18. A method for removal of ATM cells from an ATM communications device, comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of ATM cells, a plurality of which are in each case assigned to a common frame and which are stored in connection specific queues;

providing a first algorithm by means of which, with the exception of a first and a last ATM cell in a frame, all newly arriving cells in the frame are removed;

providing a second algorithm by means of which all the ATM cells in a frame, from a first cell to a last

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